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<b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER</b>				Docket No. 1131-0491P	
Application No. 10/699,695-Conf. #5835		Filing Date November 4, 2003		Examiner D. A. Walls	
				Art Unit 1731	
Applicant(s): Yoichiro YAMASHITA et al.					
Invention: FILTER ASSEMBLY FOR A CIGARETTE AND METHOD OF PRODUCING SAME					
<p><b>MS Amendment</b>  <b>Commissioner for Patents</b>  <b>P.O. Box 1450</b>  <b>Alexandria, VA 22313-1450</b></p> <p>Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.          The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.</p>					
<b>CLAIMS AS AMENDED</b>					
	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid	Number Extra Claims Present	Rate	
<b>Total Claims</b>	5	- 20 =	0	x 50.00	0.00
<b>Independent Claims</b>	2	- 3 =	0	x 200.00	0.00
<b>Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable)</b> <input type="checkbox"/>					
<b>Other fee (please specify):</b>					
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:</b>					0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Large Entity <span style="margin-left: 200px;"><input type="checkbox"/> Small Entity</span> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No additional fee is required for this amendment. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of \$ _____. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. <input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$ _____ is enclosed. <input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. <u>02-2448</u> as described below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Credit any overpayment. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charge any additional filing or application processing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17.					
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**AMENDMENT UNDER 35 CFR 1.116**

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**December 11, 2006**

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated September 12, 2006, the following amendments and remarks are respectively submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This paper includes Claim Set as amended and remarks.